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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HELD
IN THE HALL OF THE CALIFORNIA CLUB, 1750
CLAY STREET, SAN FRANCISCO, MARCH
27, 1909, AT 10:15 P. M.

Present: Directors BURCKHALTER, HALE, MORSE, GALLOWAY, CUSH-
ING, MOLERA, CRAWFORD.

Retiring President BURCKHALTER called the meeting to order.

Director W. W. CAMPBELL was elected to be President.

Director GEO. E. HALE was elected to be First Vice-President.

President CAMPBELL being absent, Vice-President HALE then took
the chair. The election to the remaining offices resulted as follows:

Second Vice-President: F. MORSE.

Third Vice-President: E. J. MOLERA.

Secretary and Treasurer: D. S. RICHARDSON.

Secretary (Lick Observatory): R. G. AITKEN.

Comet Committee: CAMPBELL (ex-officio), TOWNLEY, CURTIS.

Library Committee: CRAWFORD (Chairman), TOWNLEY, EINARSSON.

Moved, seconded and carried, that the matter of arranging the trans-
fer of the Society's property to the new room in the Phelan Building,
and the furnishing of the room be left to the Chairmen of the Commit-
tees on Finance and Library.

Moved and seconded that the Library Fund be charged ten dollars
per month for the rent of the new room, and that an amount equal to
the insurance received from the Rhine and Moselle Insurance Co. now
in the General Fund be applied to fitting up the room. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the salary of the Secretary-Treasurer be
twenty dollars per month, of which five dollars is to be taken from the
Library Fund.

The Committee on Publication recommended the adoption of the
following resolutions:

Resolved, That hereafter the day of the month be omitted from the date of the
Publications.

Carried, provided that the change is not contrary to the postal regula-
tions in regard to second-class matter.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Publication be authorized to
employ whatever clerical help may be necessary in getting out the *Publications*,
the total expenditures for this purpose in any one year not to exceed the sum of
forty dollars.

Carried.

Resolved, That the interest from the Life Membership Fund, the John Dolbeer
Fund and the Wm. Alvord Fund for the year 1909 be turned into the General
Fund to be applied toward the cost of printing the *Publications.*

Carried.

Resolved, That no award of the Bruce Medal be made for the year 1910.

Carried.

The Committee on Publication of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, to which the matter of amendments to the By-Laws was referred, reported as follows:

1. The By-Laws of the Society, the statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal and the rules relating to the comet medal, were last printed in 1897, as Number 57 of the Publications, volume 9, page 163.

2. Since 1897 the By-Laws have been amended three times, as follows: (a) Article VIII, January 31, 1903 (see vol. 15, p. 52); (b) article IX, March 28, 1903 (see vol. 15, p. 141); (c) article II, August 31, 1905 (see vol. 17, p. 169).

3. We recommend that the second paragraph of article IX of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

A meeting shall be held in the Library of the Lick Observatory at a suitable hour on the last Saturday of August; and meetings shall be held in the rooms of the Society, in San Francisco, at eight o'clock p. m. on the last Saturdays of January, March, June and November, but it shall be within the discretion of the President to designate other places of meeting, in San Francisco or vicinity, for the meetings of January, June and November, whenever, in his opinion, such change will be to the advantage of the Society.

4. We recommend that when the statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal are reprinted, a foot note be added to the tenth line of Article V, to read as follows: In response to a request made by one of the nominating observatories, the Board of Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific construes the provision in Article V of the Statutes, referring to "Astronomers worthy to receive the medal for the ensuing year," to cover services rendered during the lifetime of the nominee.

It was the unanimous opinion of the six Directors present that the By-Laws be amended as recommended by the Committee, and the Secretary was instructed to obtain, if possible, the written consent of at least three other Directors.

The printing of the footnote to article V of the Bruce Statutes was authorized.

Adjourned.

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE
PACIFIC, HELD IN ROOM 601, MERCHANTS' EX-
CHANGE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO, NOVEM-
BER 28, 1908, AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Now that the announcement of the eighth award of the Bruce Gold Medal has been made, this addendum to the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held November 28, 1908, is published and made part of the complete minutes of said meeting.

The result of the ballot showed that ten votes were cast for Dr. G. W. HILL. As the Statutes for the Bestowal of the Bruce Medal